



CITY OF MARLBOROUGH DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS STREET SWEEPING PROGRAM - 2007

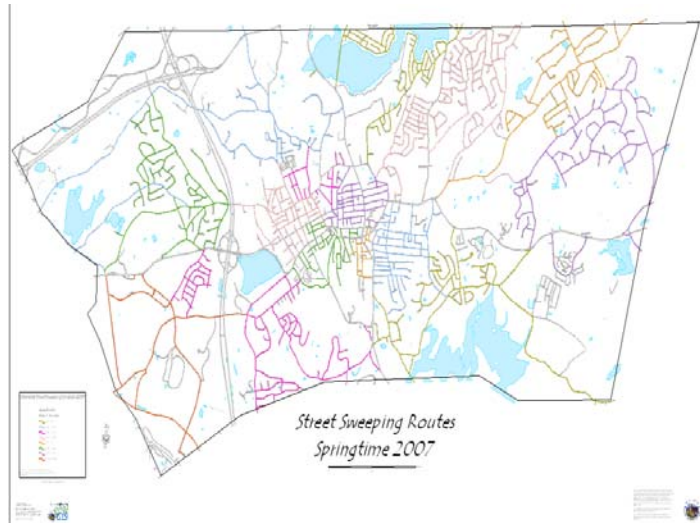


Spring is fast approaching which means that winter will soon be leaving us! Of the many challenges the Department of Public Works faces in the Spring, sweeping our city's streets is one of the most important.

Street Sweeping Operations: At the completion of the city's snow and ice operations, the Department of Public Works' (DPW) Street Division transitions into the cleanup of the city's streets. Sweeping of our streets is one of the DPW's major tasks in the Spring which includes the pickup of the sand used during the winter.

To accomplish this task, three city street sweepers are used to clean approximately 500 lane miles of roadways. Additional pieces of equipment used during sweeping operations include front-end loaders and dump trucks. The street sweepers are dispatched on a daily basis to pre-assigned routes.

2007 Street Sweeping Schedule: The 2007 Street Sweeping Schedule can be viewed on the city's website. Please visit the city's website at <http://www.marlbrough-ma.gov/>, click City Departments, click Public Works, and choose the Street Division. You may also click the map to the right to bring up the full size PDF map. We encourage each resident to visit the website to become familiar with when the street sweepers will be in your particular section of the city.



Residents and business owners should be aware that there are two predominant factors which adversely affect the sweeping schedule; equipment breakdowns and the weather. Street sweepers operate in the worst possible conditions (i.e. constant dust) and, even with proper maintenance and constant attention, equipment down-time due to mechanical problems is inevitable. Additionally, while sweeping can be done during a light, misting rain, the sweepers can not handle wet, muddy sand. Please be patient. We will get to your neighborhood as soon as possible.

We will continually update the street sweeping schedule as circumstances affecting schedule requires.

Sidewalks: The city does not sweep sidewalks. However, we do encourage residents to sweep the sand from their sidewalks into the gutters shortly before we are scheduled to sweep your street. By viewing the 2007 Street Sweeping Schedule on the website, residents can have their sidewalks swept prior to the street sweepers arriving in their neighborhood.

Comments and Questions: For further information, you may contact the Assistant Commissioner, Operations or Dick Baldelli (Assistant City Engineer, Streets) at (508) 624-6910 or email at dpw@marlbrough-ma.gov.